Rear Admiral Nancy E. Brown

Rear Adm. Nancy Brown is a 1973 graduate of Stephens College in Columbia, Mo. Following Officer Candidate School in Newport, R.I., in June 1974, the admiral reported to the Naval Communications Station, Norfolk, Va., as Communications Watch Officer, followed by Automation Officer and Personnel Officer. She then served as the Special Projects and Manpower Requirements Officer at the Naval Telecommunications Command in Washington, D.C.

After her tour in Washington, the admiral earned a Master of Science degree in communications systems management from the Naval Postgraduate School and a Master of Arts degree in National Security and Strategic Studies. She was then assigned to the Defense Commercial Communications Office. This joint tour qualified the admiral as a Proven Subspecialist in Communications and led to her designation as a Joint Specialty Officer (JSO).

Rear Adm. Brown then served as the Officer in Charge, Naval Radio and Receiving Facility Kami Seya, Japan. Returning from overseas, she went to the Joint Tactical Command, Control and Communications Agency in Washington, D.C., followed by an assignment as the executive officer at the Naval Communications Station in San Diego.

In August 1993, Rear Adm. Brown assumed command of Naval Computer and Telecommunications Station Cutler, Downeast, Maine. In August 1995, she served on the National Security Council staff at the White House.

In July 1997, she assumed command of the Naval Computer and Telecommunications Area Master Station Atlantic, a major shore command, in Norfolk, Va.

In 1999, the admiral returned to the White House as the Deputy Director, White House Military Office. While serving as the Deputy Directory, White House Military Office, she was selected for rear admiral (lower half).

In October 2000, the admiral reported to the Chief of Naval Operations as Deputy Director and Fleet Liaison, Space, Information Warfare, Command and Control (N6B). She assumed duties as Vice Director for Command, Control, Communications, and Computer Systems (J6), The Joint Staff in August 2002. Promoted to rear admiral on July 1, 2004, she is currently serving on the Multinational Forces-Iraq staff in Baghdad, as the Deputy Chief of Staff for Communications and Information Systems.

Rear Adm. Brown's decorations include the Defense Distinguished Service Medal, the Defense Superior Service Medal, the Legion of Merit (with Oak Leaf Cluster), the Defense Meritorious Service Medal (with Oak Leaf Cluster), the Meritorious Service Medal (with Oak Leaf Cluster), the Navy and Marine Corps Commendation Medal, the Navy and Marine Corps Achievement Medal, the National Defense Service Medal (with Bronze Star) and the Global War on Terrorism Expeditionary Medal.

ONE-NET

Transforming Overseas Navy Networks

ONE-NET is a Navy-wide initiative to install a common and secure IT infrastructure to OCONUS Navy locations. It is based on the Navy Marine Corps Intranet (NMCI) architecture and is designed to be interoperable with IT-21, the NMCI and the Global Information Grid (GIG) in the future.

ONE-NET incorporates a new network infrastructure, including servers and transmission lines with existing and new workstations to provide integrated information technology to the fleet. With ONE-NET, users will have standardized hardware and software, a centralized helpdesk, access to an OCONUS e-mail directory, increased information security, a standard e-mail address, and increased SIPRNET availability and remote access.

ONE-NET provides users with a standard application portfolio, referred to as the Workstation Baseline Software Configuration (Gold Disk). The WBSC contains: Windows XP Professional OS, Office XP, Internet Explorer, Adobe Acrobat Reader, Visio Viewer, Active Card Gold, Symantec Corporate Client Edition, WinZip 9.0, Roxio Easy CD Creator, Macromedia Shockwave, Flash Player 7, Quicktime Basic and DoD Install Root PKI Certificate.

The standard mailbox size for ONE-NET is 100 MB for NIPRNET and SIPRNET. The standard home drive is 850 MB. New Pentium 4/3.20 GHz desktop computers feature 512 MB memory, 3.5-inch floppy drive, a CDRW/DVD combo and two-piece stereo speaker system. Notebook users can rely on the Latitude D600, Pentium M 1.5 GHz with 512 MB of memory.

The transition to ONE-NET is being directed by the Naval Network Warfare Command. The Navy Enterprise Network or ONE-NET will affect more than three distinct theaters: Europe, the Middle East and Far East. Consolidating overseas networks will increase warfighting effectiveness by ensuring the technology infrastructure is current and under a single management source, according to Cmdr. Teresa Bandur-Duvall, deputy chief information officer for NETWARCOM. With ONE-NET, Sailors will be able to log on to a system that is reliable, and they will have a global address list to connect to people in other locations.

So far, only the Naval Support Activity (NSA) Bahrain has been cut over to ONE-NET. More than 3,000 workstations have migrated this past year under the Information Technology Support Center (ITSC) in Bahrain. This includes both the classified and unclassified side; ONE-NET now supports 73 tenant commands in the area.

Go to the ONE-NET Web site for more information at https://c4isr.spawar.navy.mil/onenet/login.cfm. To access the site, you must have PKI certification.

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